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1. A large number of North Korean troops were moving from the Mount Pukhan area of Seoul in the direction of the East Gate [redacted] The troops, equipped with Soviet rifles, passed one point two abreast for one hour. A small number of oxcarts carrying ammunition arrived in the city the same day; the only motor vehicles observed were four trucks. 25X1
2. [redacted] there were few civilians in Seoul. No check was made of identification cards. A small number of residents had swollen faces; they appeared suffering from malnutrition. Rice cost 30,000 won for a small mal and was unobtainable. One-half of the Seoul buildings were burned or destroyed except in the Anhyun-dong area. 25X1
3. Chinese Communists entering Yongin (127-07, 37-18) [redacted] used uncleaned rice buried in the ground by farmers. Refugees in the area who were overtaken while fleeing Seoul were ordered by the Chinese Communist forces to return to Seoul or be killed. 25X1
4. A Chinese Communist unit commander in the Yongin area assembled Communists from the surrounding villages in mid-February and lectured them: "Because the North Korean army and ROK Communists killed many citizens, ROK citizens fled south for their lives and even the remaining refugees obey us unwillingly. Consequently it is you party members who deserve to die. Armies which oppose the people must fail. Henceforth do not oppress or irritate your people." 25X1
5. The Chinese Communists also commented unfavorably to the ROK Communists on the fact that high-ranking officers of the North Korean army receive a thousand won while enlisted men receive only 100 to 200 won. The Chinese Communists described this discrimination as in great contrast to the practice within the Chinese Communist forces. 25X1

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